BEARFACTS 1993 – 2003 **Dawson**, **Georgia** [13085]

Dawson is one of 159 counties in Georgia. It is part of the <u>Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA (MSA)</u>. Its 2003 population of 18,406 ranked 90th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2003 Dawson had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,483. This PCPI ranked 17th in the state and was 96 percent of the state average, \$28,696, and 87 percent of the national average, \$31,504. The 2003 PCPI reflected a decrease of 1.4 percent from 2002. The 2002-2003 state change was 0.6 percent and the national change was 2.2 percent. In 1993 the PCPI of Dawson was \$18,347 and ranked 23rd in the state. The 1993-2003 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.8 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2003 Dawson had a total personal income (TPI) of \$505,859*. This TPI ranked 71st in the state and accounted for 0.2 percent of the state total. In 1993 the TPI of Dawson was \$193,197* and ranked 99th in the state. The 2003 TPI reflected an increase of 3.5 percent from 2002. The 2002-2003 state change was 2.4 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The 1993-2003 average annual growth rate of TPI was 10.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.2 percent and for the nation was 5.1 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Dawson. In 2003 net earnings accounted for 73.2 percent of TPI (compared with 73.1 in 1993); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.3 percent (compared with 15.6 in 1993); and personal current transfer receipts were 11.6 percent (compared with 11.3 in 1993). From 2002 to 2003 net earnings increased 4.2 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 0.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 3.8 percent. From 1993 to 2003 net earnings increased on average 10.1 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 9.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 10.3 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Dawson increased from \$197,251* in 2002 to \$207,899* in 2003, an increase of 5.4 percent. The 2002-2003 state change was 3.1 percent and the national change was 3.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1993 estimate of \$58,826* to the 2003 estimate was 13.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.3 percent and for the nation was 5.3 percent.

*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.

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